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Mr. Charles Terreni, Chief Clerk
South Carolina Public Service Commission
Post Office Drawer 11649
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RE: MASTER INTERCONNECTION, COLLOCATION AND RESALE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE CAROLINAS AND TELECOM SERVICES OF
THE LOWCOUNTRY, LLC

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Act"), United Telephone Company of the Carolinas ("United") and Telecom Services of the Lowcountry, LLC hereby submit their Master Interconnection, Collocation and Resale Agreement with an Effective Date of December 15, 2004, for approval by the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

Section 252(e) of the Act provides that the Commission shall approve or reject the negotiated Agreement within 90 days after its submission. The Act further provides that the Commission may reject a negotiated Agreement if the Commission finds that the Agreement or any portion discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not party to the Agreement or that implementation of the Agreement or any portion would not be in the public interest. United and Telecom Services of the Lowcountry, LLC believe that neither of the foregoing conditions exist with respect to the Agreement they have negotiated. Accordingly, United and Telecom Services of the Lowcountry, LLC respectfully request that the Commission approve this Agreement.

Under cover of this letter, a copy of the Agreement is being served upon Telecom Services of the Lowcountry, LLC.

United Telephone Company of the Carolinas is represented by Mr. Scott Elliott, Elliott & Elliott, P.A., 721 Olive Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205 (803-771-0555) in this matter. Please contact either Mr. Elliott or me if there are any questions.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward Phillips" followed by a stylized flourish.

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Enclosures

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